



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday November 19, 2008

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

An adjourned session of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was held at the Administration Building, in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Wednesday, November 19, 2008.

The meeting was called to order at 8:56 p.m. by Jeff Irwin, Chair of the Board.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Bergman, Gunn, Irwin, Ouimet, Peterson, Ping, Lovejoy Roe, Schwartz, Sizemore, and Smith.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comm. Grewal

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator Bob Guenzel; Deputy County Administrators, Verna McDaniel and David Behen; Corporation Counsel Curt Hedger; Dale Vanderford, Jennifer Watson, James McFarlane, Dave Shirley Support Services; Peter Ballios, Finance; Mark Lindke, Veteran Services; Patricia Denig, Dick Fleece, Dan Myers, Planning and Environment; Bob Tetens, Parks and Recreation; Damon Thompson, Community Development; Ellen Clement, Public Health; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Ben Toole, ITS; Scott Patton, Joanna Bidlack, Administration; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Ping moved that the minutes of the November 5, 2008, meeting of the Board of Commissioners be approved. Motion carried.

Citizen Participation

Tom Partridge stated that he would like the Board of Commissioners to support the Big 3 automakers with any funds possible.

Karen Sydney stated that she would like to see realistic times posted for the start of the Board meeting. She stated that she would like the County to allow the City Court to remain in the County courthouse.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizen Participation

Comm. Bergman stated that there was not a proposal brought forward by City Council regarding the lease of court space.

Communications

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the communications be received and dealt with as recommended. Motion carried.

R-0241 RECEIVED: November 3, 2008. Resolutions to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from the Lake County Board of Commissioners, re: Opposition to HB 4454-4455 and SB 607-608 "Right to Work" and Support of E-911 Funding as proposed by the Michigan Association of Counties, dated October 8, 2008. Received and filed.

R-0242 RECEIVED: November 3, 2008. A letter to the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, from Susan Cox, Unadilla Township, Planning Secretary, re: Unadilla Township's Proposed Updated Master Plan of 2008, dated October 28, 2008. Received and filed, copied to Planning and Environment.

R-0243 RECEIVED: November 6, 2008. A memorandum to Melanie Zimmerman, McKinley, Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation, from David Behen, Administration, Washtenaw County, re: Eviction Prevention Dollars Release, dated November 5. Received and filed.

R-0244 RECEIVED: November 10, 2008. A letter to the County Administrator, Washtenaw County, from Jeremy McCallion, Associate Brownfield Planner, Washtenaw County, re: Brownfield Redevelopment schoolpictures.com, dated October 17, 2008. Received and filed.

R-0245 RECEIVED: November 10, 2008. A newsletter from the Michigan Association of Counties, re: MAC Legislative Update, dated October 31, 2008. Received and filed.

R-0246 RECEIVED: November 10, 2008. A press release from the Washtenaw County Public Health Department, re: Accept the Great American Smokeout Challenge, dated November 6, 2008. Received and filed.

Liaison Reports

Comm. Gunn stated that the first phase of the Literacy Coalition has been completed. She stated that she would like the Board to see a presentation at the second regular meeting in January.

Comm. Ouimet reported on the Road Commission. He reported that he will get a list of roads and conditions to the Board.

Comm. Ouimet reported on WCERS. He stated that the plan is off about 22% compared to about 40% for the rest of the market. He added that this is a time to buy American companies. Comm. Ouimet reported that placement of assets will be a high level of concern.

Comm. Smith reported on the Parks Commission meeting. He thanked Bob Tetens for his work on the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Comm. Ping reported on the Ann Arbor to Detroit rail and stated that all is still on track for 2010.

Comm. Peterson asked about salting the roads. Comm. Ouimet stated that there are less dollars available and added that the Road Commission is doing the best they can do. He stated that the managing director could come in to give an update.

Comm. Sizemore stated that he would like the Road Commission come in January or February to the Working Session.

Report of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners

Comm. Irwin stated that he would like to see the two Commissioner seats that will become vacant filled with the two Commissioner-elects. He added that he reason is to ensure that every district has representation at the final meeting of the year.

Special Order of Business:

08-0191 Comm. Lovejoy Roe seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved that the resolution to honor Mae Derdarian for her many years of dedicated service and support to the Area Agency on Aging 1-B be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0192 Comm. Lovejoy Roe seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved that the resolution to honor Clara White for her many years of dedicated service and support to the Area Agency on Aging 1-B be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0193 Comm. Lovejoy Roe seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved that the resolution of appreciation to Washtenaw County Facilities Management for their contribution to an inclusive employment environment in Washtenaw County be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0194 Comm. Lovejoy Roe seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved that the resolution of appreciation to X-PAC for contributing to inclusiveness in employment for all the citizens of Washtenaw County be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0195 Comm. Lovejoy Roe seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved that the resolution of appreciation to Kroger for contributing to inclusiveness in employment for all the citizens of Washtenaw County be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0196 Comm. Lovejoy Roe seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved that the resolution of appreciation to the University of Michigan for contributing to the inclusiveness and employment opportunities for persons with disabilities in Washtenaw County be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

Public Hearing to receive comments on the Adoption of the Proposed Amendment to the Washtenaw County Brownfield Plan for the City of Ann Arbor "Maple Shoppes" Brownfield Redevelopment Plan

Karen Sidney stated that this takes tax revenue from all levels of government. She added that this project will transfer state and local taxes to a corporation. She added that she opposes tax subsidies to bring in big business.

Public Hearing to receive comments on the Adoption of the Proposed Amendment to the Washtenaw County Brownfield Plan for the City of Ann Arbor "2800 Jackson" Brownfield Redevelopment Plan

Glenn Thompson, 100 Longman Ln., stated that none of the three properties meet Brownfield conditions. He stated that this project has been corrupted from environmental cleanup to corporate subsidy. He added that the TIF is to pay for demolition. He stated that creating this Brownfield TIF is detrimental to the County.

Karen Sidney stated that this decision boils down to giving taxes to state and local government or developers.

Valerie Brater stated that she is representing the developer and added that this property was purchased after a nuisance complaint was filed. She stated that her client purchased the property and put demolition on the fast track.

Public Hearing to receive comments on the Adoption of the Proposed Amendment to the Washtenaw County Brownfield Plan for the City of Ann Arbor "601 Forest, LLC-Green Urban Living" Brownfield Redevelopment Plan

Tom Partridge stated that he opposes the project at 601 Forest, LLC-Green Urban Living. He stated that the County is involved in corporate welfare.

Curt Brower and Dan Kedlar described the project at 601 Forest. Brower stated that it was anticipated that this project would create 70 to 80 full time jobs and 100's of jobs in total. He added that this building is to be LEED certified silver. He reported that construction will begin in the Spring of 2009.

Karen Sidney stated that this project will transfer over \$300,000 to the local development. Sidney discussed past projects that have failed.

Glenn Thompson, 100 Longman Ln., stated that the application states that the contamination is minor. He stated no additional contamination will be removed.

Reports of the Standing Committees

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the following reports be received and approved: Administrative Briefing, dated October 29, 2008; Ways & Means, dated November 5, 2008; Working Session, dated November 6, 2008. Motion carried. (Complete reports are on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Reports of Special Committees

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the following reports be received: Board of Road Commissioners, dated October 7, 2008; Concealed Weapon Licensing Board, dated September 16, 2008; Social Services Board, dated September 23, 2008 be adopted. Motion carried. (Complete reports are on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

Other Reports

None

Report of the Treasurer

None

Appointments:

08-0197 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution appointing a Commissioner to the Board of Directors of the Area Agency on Aging for a two-year term expiring December 31, 2010 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0198 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Accommodations Ordinance Commission be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0199 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Agricultural Lands Preservation Committee be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0200 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint three members to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0201 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint seven members to the Building Code Construction Board of Appeals Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0202 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint one member to the Citizen's Advisory Council for the Drug Court be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0203 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Community Action Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0204 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint one member to the Concealed Weapons Licensing Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0205 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint six members to the Criminal Justice Community Collaborative be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0206 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint one member to the Department of Human Services be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0207 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint one member to the Economic Development Corporation be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0208 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Emergency Medical Services Commission be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0209 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint one member to the Emergency Telephone District Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0210 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Hearing Board for the Health Department Food Service Regulation be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0211 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Historic District Commission be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0212 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint four members to the Huron River Watershed Council be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0213 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint three members to the Law Enforcement Citizens Review Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0214 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint four members to the Natural Areas Technical Advisory Committee be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0215 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Parks and Recreation Commission be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0216 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Planning Advisory Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0217 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint two members to the Public Works Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0218 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint one member to the Road Commission be adopted.

Comm. Irwin nominated Lee Gorman.

Comm. Ping nominated Fred Veigel.

Roll call vote: Gorman: 3 (Comms. Bergman, Gunn, and Irwin) Veigel: 7 (Comms. Ouimet, Peterson, Ping, Lovejoy Roe, Schwartz, Sizemore, and Smith) ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Fred Veigel was appointed to the Road Commission.

08-0219 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint one member to the Washtenaw Community Health Organization Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0220 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint three members to the Washtenaw County City of Ann Arbor Community Corrections Advisory Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0221 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to appoint ten members to the Workforce Development Board be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

Report of the County Administrator:

None

Resolutions:

Ways and Means – August 6, 2008

08-0222 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to adopt the tentative amended Washtenaw County enhanced 9-1-1 plan as the Washtenaw County final enhanced 9-1-1 plan be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

Ways and Means – November 19, 2008

08-0223 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution adopting the Washtenaw County 2008 Apportionment Report be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0224 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to adopt the proposed amendment to the Brownfield Plan for Washtenaw County approving tax increment financing and eligibility for Michigan Business Tax credit incentives for the "schoolpictures.com" Brownfield Redevelopment Project in the City of Ypsilanti be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

08-0225 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to adopt the proposed amendment to the Brownfield Plan for Washtenaw County approving tax increment financing and eligibility for Michigan Business Tax credit incentives for the "Federal Screw Works" Brownfield Redevelopment Project in the City of Chelsea be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

Approval of Claims

08-0226 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution authorizing payment of claims commencing with the last previously approved claim and continuing through the date of November 7, 2008 be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

FUND	DESCRIPTION	SYSTEM CHECKS	UTILITIES CREDIT CARD	EXCEPTION & PRE-CLAIMS	TOTAL
1010	GENERAL FUND	\$ 67.91	\$ 61,187.42	\$ 54.10	\$ 61,309.43
1293	COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	\$ -	\$ 392.07	\$ -	\$ 392.07
1572	INMATE CONCESSIONS	421.67	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 421.67
1620	PROS ATTNY-CR	0	\$ 173.40	\$ -	\$ 173.40
1750	BUILDING INSPECTION & SOIL EROSION	\$ -	\$ 225.07	\$ -	\$ 225.07
1760	ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH	0	\$ 170.33	\$ -	\$ 170.33
1810	VETERANS TRUST FUND ADMIN.	0	\$ 83.19	\$ -	\$ 83.19
1850	RRNWWD:STORM WATER GENERAL PE	0	\$ 1,053.98	\$ -	\$ 1,053.98
1882	HIDTA	0	\$ 13,559.96	\$ -	\$ 13,559.96
1905	911 MAINTENANCE FUND	0	\$ 1,558.00	\$ -	\$ 1,558.00
2080	PARKS & RECREATION	0	\$ 45,924.54	\$ -	\$ 45,924.54
2110	COUNTY LIBRARY FUND	0	\$ 417.96	\$ -	\$ 417.96
2150	FRIEND OF THE COURT	\$ -	\$ 1,671.78	\$ -	\$ 1,671.78
2300	NAFTA/TAA/TRA	0	\$ 2,234.44	\$ -	\$ 2,234.44
2370	JTPA ADMINISTRATION	\$ -	\$ 7,733.91	\$ -	\$ 7,733.91
2510	CSA HEADSTART	\$ -	\$ 3,216.10	\$ -	\$ 3,216.10
2630	CSA SR NUTRITION	0	\$ 35.00	\$ -	\$ 35.00
2812	JUVENILE DRUG COURT PLAN GRANT	0	\$ 42.72	\$ -	\$ 42.72
2822	WASHTENAW AREA TEENS FOR TOMORROW	0	\$ 2,501.67	\$ -	\$ 2,501.67
2920	WCHO	\$ -	\$ 21,645.98	\$ -	\$ 21,645.98
2930	MENTAL HEALTH	0	\$ 28,767.41	\$ -	\$ 28,767.41
2960	HEALTH	0	\$ 1,342.74	\$ -	\$ 1,342.74
2990	CHILD CARE/PROBATE CT.	0	\$ 5,905.40	\$ -	\$ 5,905.40
4020	JUVENILE CLASSROOM RELOCATION	0	\$ 1,166.11	\$ -	\$ 1,166.11
4050	CAPITAL EQUIPMENT	\$ -	\$ 2,629.25	\$ -	\$ 2,629.25
5507	2006 PROPERTY FORECLOSURE	0	\$ 8.41	\$ -	\$ 8.41
6310	FACILITIES MGMT - O & M	0	\$ 190,046.30	\$ -	\$190,046.30
6320	FACILITIES MGMT - TRANSP	0	\$ 1,959.58	\$ -	\$ 1,959.58
6900	CENTREX ASSOCIATION	0	\$ 58,264.52	\$ -	\$ 58,264.52
7310	T&A SHERIFF	\$ 2,084.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,084.00
7412	LAWNET - DRUG ENFORCEMENT	0	\$ 1,655.00	\$ -	\$ 1,655.00
7413	LAWNET NON-FORFEITURE FUND	\$ -	\$ 279.13	\$ -	\$ 279.13
7520	EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT FUND	0	\$ 158.62	\$ -	\$ 158.62
7550	MONEY PURCHASE PENSION PLAN	0	\$ 1,431.25	\$ -	\$ 1,431.25
7950	HAZ MATL RESPONSE TEAM	0	\$ 119.98	\$ -	\$ 119.98
7990	CO-OP EXTENSION SERVICE	0	\$ 4,577.86	\$ -	\$ 4,577.86
	TOTALS	\$ 2573.58	\$ 462,139.08	\$ 54.10	\$464,766.76

New Business

08-0227 Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Lovejoy Roe moved that the resolution to set a public hearing at 6:45 p.m. on December 3, 2008 to receive comments on the adoption of a proposed amendment to the Washtenaw County Accommodations Ordinance to increase the excise tax on all persons operating a business to provide rooms for dwelling to transient guests from 2% to 5% and to make other minor changes be adopted. Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

Items for Current/Future Discussion

Comm. Peterson stated that he appreciates serving with Comm. Grewal. He stated that Comm. Lovejoy is very honorable and respectful. He added that she is always straight at her word. He stated that he looks forward to working with her.

Citizen Participation

Tom Partridge stated that a county wide transportation system is needed. He stated that he called on the AATA to fund this Board.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

None

Adjournment

Comm. Peterson seconded by Comm. Sizemore moved to adjourn until Wednesday, December 3rd, 2008, at 6:45 p.m. in the Board Room, Washtenaw County Administration Building. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Jeff Irwin, Chair

Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register
By: Jason Brooks, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: